

# Honduras - Tegucigalpa

## Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS)

### FACT SHEET . . . . .



The Honduras - Tegucigalpa GYTS includes data on prevalence of cigarette and other tobacco use as well as information on five determinants of tobacco use: access/availability and price, environmental tobacco smoke exposure (ETS), cessation, media and advertising, and school curriculum. These determinants are components Honduras could include in a comprehensive tobacco control program.

The Honduras - Tegucigalpa GYTS was a school-based survey of students in grades 7, 8 and 9 conducted in 2003.

A two-stage cluster sample design was used to produce representative data for all of Tegucigalpa. At the first stage, schools were selected with probability proportional to enrollment size. At the second stage, classes were randomly selected and all students in selected classes were eligible to participate. The school response rate was 91.3%, the student response rate was 81.7%, and the overall response rate was 74.6%. A total of 1,818 students participated in the Honduras - Tegucigalpa GYTS.

### Prevalence

49.2% of students had ever smoked cigarettes (Boys = 51.3%, Girls = 46.7%)  
 22.9% currently use any tobacco product (Boys = 26.0%, Girls = 19.4%)  
 16.5% currently smoke cigarettes (Boys = 17.4%, Girls = 15.0%)  
 10.2% currently use other tobacco products (Boys = 12.0%, Girls = 8.3%)  
 25.4% of never smokers are likely to initiate smoking next year

### Knowledge and Attitudes

24.9% think boys and 43.6% think girls who smoke have more friends  
 7.0% think boys and 8.7% think girls who smoke look more attractive

### Access and Availability - Current Smokers

14.7% usually smoke at home  
 45.7% buy cigarettes in a store  
 86.8% who bought cigarettes in a store were NOT refused purchase because of their age

### Environmental Tobacco Smoke

30.8% live in homes where others smoke in their presence  
 43.0% are around others who smoke in places outside their home  
 81.0% think smoking should be banned from public places  
 73.9% think smoke from others is harmful to them  
 26.7% have one or more parents who smoke  
 16.6% have most or all friends who smoke

### Cessation - Current Smokers

60.4% want to stop smoking  
 67.5% tried to stop smoking during the past year  
 67.5% have ever received help to stop smoking

### Media and Advertising

74.6% saw anti-smoking media messages, in the past 30 days  
 83.3% saw pro-cigarette ads on billboards, in the past 30 days  
 75.2% saw pro-cigarette ads in newspapers or magazines, in the past 30 days  
 13.6 have an object with a cigarette brand logo  
 13.7% were offered free cigarettes by a tobacco company representative

### School

60.8% had been taught in class, during the past year, about the dangers of smoking  
 35.0% had discussed in class, during the past year, reasons why people their age smoke  
 61.3% had been taught in class, during the past year, the effects of tobacco use

### Highlights

- 22.9% of students currently use any form of tobacco; 16.5% currently smoke cigarettes; 10.2% currently use some other form of tobacco.
- ETS exposure indicates that – 3 in 10 students live in homes where others smoke in their presence; 4 in 10 are exposed to smoke in public places; almost 3 in 10 have parents who smoke.
- 7 in 10 students think smoke from others is harmful to them.
- 8 in 10 students think smoking in public places should be banned.
- Over 6 in 10 smokers want to quit.
- 7 in 10 students saw anti-smoking media messages in the past 30 days; Over 8 in 10 students saw pro-cigarette ads in the past 30 days.